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SUBJ: NAC RESOLUTION ON PUERTO RICO

REF: STATE 229493; STATE 236810

1. IN OCTOBER 8 CONVERSATION WITH ASSISTANT FOREIGN MINISTER DUNN EMBOFF MADE PRESENTATION BASED ON STATE 236810 AND TALKING POINTS SET FORTH IN STATE 229493. IN RESPONSE TO INQUIRY RE GOL POSITION ON PR ISSUE AT LIMA DUNN TOLD EMBOFF THAT GOL HAD SPOKEN NEITHER FOR NOR AGAINST LANGUAGE ON PUERTO RICO THAT APPEARED IN LIMA PROGRAMME FOR MUTUAL ASSISTANCE AND SOLIDARITY. NEITHER HAS GOL DISAVOWED THAT LANGUAGE. HE SAID GOL WOULD "NEVER TAKE THE POSITION THAT PUERTO RICO IS NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORY OR ON THIS ISSUE OPPOSE US IN ANY UN OR SPECIALIZED AGENCY CONTEXT". WORST POSITION HE COULD POSSIBLE CONCEIVE OF IN SUCH A CONTEXT WOULD BE THAT GOL MIGHT ABSTAIN. AS FOR NON-ALIGNED CONTEXTS, HE NOTED GOL IMPERATIVE TO AVOID APPEARING TO BE WORKING FOR USG.

2. DUNN SEEMED NOT TO HAVE BEEN AWARE THAT PR ISSUE IS LIKELY TO ARISE IN CURRENT UNGA. EMOFF STRESSED AGAIN SERIOUS CONCERN USG WOULD VIEW SUPPORT OF ANY RESOLUTION IN UN OR SPECIALIZED AGENCY CONTEXT CONTAINING LANGUAGE RELATING TO PR SIMILAR TO THAT IN LIMA PROGRAMME.

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3. EMBASSY WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE OPPORTUNITIES TO IMPRESS ON GOL
OFFICIALS HERE VALUE USG PLACES ON GOL SUPPORT ON PR ISSUE. WE
BELIEVE THAT THIS ISSUE, TOUCHING SO CLOSELY OUR INTERNAL AFFAIRS,
SHOULD ALSO BE SUBJECT OF REPRESENTATIONS IN NEW YORK AND
WASHINGTON, PARTICULARLY LATTER.
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